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Venerable Bede, using a sun dial in a Northumbria monastery, suspected that the solar year was slightly off from the Calendar but did not know by how much.

In part this was because Europeans after the collapse of Rome either ignored or did

not understand complex fractions,
they tended to round off everything
to $\frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$

Bede was 30 yrs old. He wrote a short work on time reckoning
LIBER de TEMPORIBUS
for his students.

In this work Bede confirmed Dionysius's system of 19-yr cycles to determine easter and his system of the use of Anno Domini.

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Bede Completed his
ON TIMES